



Memorandum

Date: May 11, 2006
To: Stakeholders
From: Nancy C. Wrona, Director
Air Quality Division
Subject: Mercury Rule Stakeholder Process

You are invited to attend a series of stakeholder meetings to discuss the development of a state rule to control mercury emissions from coal fired power plants.

Much of the mercury that is emitted into the air from power plants and other sources is deposited into surface waters where it is consumed by, and bioaccumulates in, fish. The consumption of fish contaminated with mercury compounds has been associated with a variety of neurotoxic effects. Of particular concern, the consumption of mercury-tainted fish during pregnancy is linked to impaired neurobehavioral performance in children.

The meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, May 23, 2006, 1:30 p.m., at the Holiday Inn Phoenix West, 1500 North 51st Avenue, Cactus Saguaro Room. The agenda for the meeting is as follows:

1:30-1:50	Welcome and Introductions	Nancy C. Wrona, Director Air Quality Division (AQD)
1:50-2:10	Sources of Mercury Emissions	Steve Burr, Executive Consultant AQD
2:10-2:30	Exposure Paths and Health Effects; Presentation and Group Discussion	Will Humble, Arizona Department of Health Services
2:30-3:00	EPA's "Clean Air Mercury Rule"; Presentation and Group Discussion	Diane Arnst, Manager AQD Planning Section
3:00-3:10	Break	
3:10-3:40	Mercury Controls; Presentation and Group Discussion	Eric Massey, Manager AQD Compliance Section
3:40-4:00	Next Steps, Meeting Schedule	Nancy C. Wrona, Director AQD

We look forward to your attendance at this meeting, and to working with you on this important issue.

If you have any questions, please contact Steve Burr at (602) 771-4251.